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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: NSC Briefing Topics for 10 March 1955

1. The 240th meeting of the NSC will be held at 1000 Thursday, 10 March 1955. Following briefing topics are assigned (some, as indicated, on a "wait for developments" basis):

DIVISION	GRAPHICS
[redacted]	none
Soviet Agricultural Prospects (steering responsibility: O/RR to draft on basis of O/CI outline).	agric. area maps
Offshore Islands update (brief).	stock
Rhee move to north (brief).	none
USSR-Japan NY Talks [redacted]	Orientation: "Empire" & today. 4700000000
Middle East update (subject to developments).	possible
Saar Difficulties (subject to developments).	none

2. With the exception of the agriculture item, usual deadlines will apply (electromatic - orig plus six - by 1200 Tuesday, 8 March). Carding schedules will follow.

3. It is expected that O/RR will supply, as early as possible this date, the following graphics research material: USSR land utilization (crop-types, grazing, forestry, etc.); rainfall; growing-seasons, to include northern limits of agriculture; other appropriate elements, perhaps including soil-types. Uniform projections and scales, wherever possible, are desirable. [redacted] should also furnish [redacted] graphics research on Japan's pre-'41 possessions.

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